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From MONDAY *August* 17th, *to* MONDAY *August* 24th, 1747.

The Prevalence of LUXURY, *with a Burgomaster's excellent Admonitions against it.*

Mr. *Timothy*,

THE erect Figure of a Man hath given the Hint to our Poets to say many fine Things in Honour of the Species.

But if God made Man *upright*, he hath prostituted his noble Talents to vile and sordid Purposes. Tho' we sin'd with the Serpent, we do not grovel on our Bellies like him; our erect Figure we still retain, and every Man's Eye, almost, is lifted up; not to Heaven indeed, that seems to be out of our Thoughts, as well as our Reach, but in Emulation of that Fellow-Creature, whom Fortune hath placed in the next Stage above us; and, if we cannot attain to the same Level, we endeavour to cheat the World into such an Opinion of us, as we are conscious hath no Foundation.

It is remarkable, that in this almost universal Vying with one another, the Contest is principally confined either to Wealth, Grandeur, or some other worldly Circumstance; who hath the most finish'd Head, or enlarged Heart, is rarely a Matter of Dispute; and our very Ambition is low, sensual, and savouring of the Dust, from whence we were taken.

At this Time, the Furniture and Expences of every Tradesman now equal those of the Merchant formerly; those of the Merchant surpass those of the first-rate Gentleman; those of the Gentleman the old Lords, *&c.*

All other Nations have each their Favourite-Luxury; as the *Italian* his pompeous Palace, the *Frenchman* his fine Suit, the *Pole* his splendid Equipage, the *German* his capacious *Celler*, the *Spaniard* his Bead-Roll of Titles, *&c.* But our Taste it universal; and there it scarce a little Clerk among us, who doth not think himself the Outcast of Providence, if not enabled by his Salary, Fees, *&c.* to out-live the rich Man in the Gospel.

With so many Outlets for Expence, 'tis no Wonder that we are become as poor as we are prodigal; nor ought it to be wonder'd at, that the Dearth of Money annually increases; since, exclusive of what is yearly sunk, every Miser who has quarter'd himself upon the Publick, by throwing out his Fortune at Interest at *Ten per Cantum per Annum*, forms a little Reservoir of his own, which never sees the Light any more, unless in some very extraordinary Case; which is to him what the Seed Time is to the Farmer; who, tho' he scatters abroad his Grain, is sure to receive it back with Usury.

These are the Evils. Where shall we look for the Cure? Not from Laws; none can be so framed as to reach them; and such a Remedy would be worse than the Disease. How then? From the Leaders of the Herd; from better Examples; from more Countenance shewn to the Understanding, and less to the Appetite; from an Affection manifested to Virtue, and a delicate Sense of honest Fame. Monkeys are not more faithful Mimics than Men; and wherever the Great jump, the Herd will be sure to follow.

So long ago as the Reign of K. *James* II. an eminent Burgomaster of *Amsterdam*, having observed the Degeneracy which began to shew itself among the *Dutch*, and the Excesses which were the Issue of Wealth and Idleness, took this Method to shew his Countrymen the Folly and Danger of their Prodigalities.

He invited the whole Magistracy, (consisting of 36 Persons) and their Ladies, to a Dinner, which they made no Doubt, both for Variety and Delicacy, would be worthy both of him and them. But how great was their Disappointment and Mortification, when they saw the first Course upon the Board, consisting of Apples boil'd in Butter Milk, Stock-Fish with Turnips and Carrots, Red-Herrings, a Lettice Sallad; and for Drink, Small-Beer.—The Host invited his Guests to fall to; the Ladies pleaded Want of Appetite; the Men look'd like the young Prophets, when they cry'd out that Death was in the Pot; and, till the Table was clear'd, scarce a Word was spoke. But then there appear'd under every Plate a Scroll of Verses, signifying, That such was the Fare of their Fore-fathers, when their City began first to thrive, and the States to have a Name among the Nations.

The second Course was then served up, which consisted of Butcher's Meat of every Sort, roasted and boil'd; but all undisguised with the Arts of Cookery, and without any other Sauce, than what a good Stomach was to supply. *English* Beer and *French* Wine were likewise added to the Side-board; and, when the Table was clear'd, certain other Verses presented themselves, by which the Guests were informed; That, with regard to the Wants of Nature, these were Luxuries; that it was the Office of Reason to regulate both the Taste and the Appetite; that by living thus, they would leave both their Wealth and their Temperance to their Heirs, who being used to such excellent Examples, would blush to be thought degenerate by their Children.

The Table was then spread with all Manner of Fish and Fowl, relish'd with the most poignant Sauces, which were served up in Plate, accompany'd with Wines of the finest Growth of the *Rhine*, *Mosselle*, *Champagne* and *Burgundy*, and follow'd with a poetical Memorial importing; That all beyond Enough, was too much; that all beyond Nourishment was Luxury; and that all beyond Decency was Extravagance; that Intemperance had a smiling Aspect, but a dreadful Retinue, consisting of the whole Assemblage of Diseases; that Death had been their Cook, and that he had infused a slow Poison in every Sauce.

The last Scroll seem'd to strike a momentary Damp on the Spirits of the Guests; which was soon forgot, on the Appearance of a most magnificent Desert, to which not only all *Europe*, but both the *Indies* had contributed, followed by the Wine of *Tokay*, the Water of *Barbadoes*, and every other Delicacy that Wealth without Bound could purchase. After which the *Hand Writing* again denounced; That Luxury is to Property, what a Plague is to Health; that 'tis equally contagious, and equally destructive; that 'tis the Disease of which the noblest Monarchies, and most flourishing States have died; that when it became epidemical in a Country depending on Commerce, like theirs, a Dissolution must inevitably follow; in Consequence of which the rich and renown'd City of *Amsterdam* would again be reduced to a Fishing Village, and their Posterity become as poor as their Ancestors were, without their Continence, Industry or Virtue.

The wise, seasonable, and excellent Admonitions of this notable Burgomaster, 'tis more than probable, had just as much Effect at *Amsterdam*, as the Repetition of them here, will have in *Carolina*. The Rigour of them was, perhaps, ridiculed by a few, the Truth acknowledged by the Majority, and the Application neglected by all. So powerful is Reason in the Field, so insignificant are the Fruits of her Victories!

I will, however, take the Liberty to enforce what I have said, with a short Allegory.

Honestum, *Utile* and *Jucundum* undertook to keep House together. *Honestum* was to govern all, *Utile* to provide all, and *Jucundum* to dress and prepare for all. They had a very great Houshold, yet maintain'd

maintain'd their Charge, relieved the Poor, and laid up somewhat for Posterity. All Things went sweetly on while *Chearfulness* was the Cook, *Thrift* the Caterer, and *Honesty* the Steward. If any of the Family was disorder'd, *Honesty* reform'd them; if any lavish and prodigal, *Thrift* recover'd them; if any melancholy *Jucundum* revived and chear'd them.

But, after a while, this *Jucundum* getting a little a-head, begins to carry Mirth into Extravagance, and falls out with *Utile*, under the Pretence of being reduced to short Allowance. He had invited a Number of Fidlers, merry Fellows, Dancers, &c. and demanded that extraordinary Chear should be provided for them. This *Utile* utterly refused, as trespassing upon Articles; *Jucundum* was positive, and, the Quarrel growing hot, *Honestum* was called to moderate the Matter. But, before she could make her Appearance, the Rabble burst in, took *Jucundum*'s Part, snatch'd the Keys out of *Utile*'s Hand, ransack'd the Coffers, exhausted the Treasury, turn'd *Honesty* and *Thrift* out of Doors, sung, danced, drank, and threw the House, as 'tis said, out o'Windows.

Thus the Family broke up; for just as *Honestum* and *Utile* went out, *Beggary* came in; only the two first erected a new House, and repaited their Estates; to whom, not long after, *Jucundum*, came a begging, but never could be admited as one of the Family any more; she was, however, sent for on Holidays to make them merry, and, in Return, was maintained out of their Alms.

I am, SIR Yours, &c.

Of PRIDE.

MODERN *Pride* is rather a *swelling Self-sufficiency* than Appetite towards acquiring Glory; 'tis in our Days a lazy, strutting Indolence of Mind, awake only to receive Respect, and asleep as to taking any Method which might deserve it. One would imagine there is something so mean and disagreeable in *this Picture*, that any Body who but glances on it must dislike it; and yet I know not how it is, but some Men mistake even *this* for a *Virtue*, affect it themselves, and are at Pains to instil it into their Children. How often do we hear *little Master* put in mind that he is a *Gentleman*, and ought to hold in the highest Contempt all those who are not so *rich* as his *Father*! or what is more common than for *Nurses* to inculcate the *Love* of *fine Cloaths*, before the *poor Things* know whence Cloaths are *Useful*?

Mr. *Pope* has with great Judgment drawn the Picture of this *Vice*, and at the same time exposed the Source from whence it flows,

Of all the causes which conspire to blind
Man's erring judgment, *and mistead the* mind;
What the weak head with strongest byas rules,
Is pride *the never failing* vice *of* fools.
Whatever nature *has in worth deny'd,*
She gives in large recruits of needful pride;
For as in bodies *that in* souls *we find,*
What wants in blood and spirits swell'd with wind.
Pride *where* wit *fails steps in to our* defence,
And fills up all the mighty void *of* sense;
If once right reason *puts that* cloud *away,*
Truth *breaks upon us with resistless* day.

A *smart Coat, fine Waistcoat*, nicely *powder'd Wigg* and *finest Linnen*, may in some Degree justify a Man's taking upon him in the Street, where Respect depends wholly upon Appearance. But the *Man* of *Mode* must permit me to inform him, that these Ornaments are a *Prejudice* to him in polite Company, if they are not supported by something else; and that this Pride of being modish or a fine Gentleman, is one of the greatest Evils that haunts a Man Pockets: It will (as soon Drunkenness, Gluttony, &c.) reduce his Fortune, and him to Beggary; which has lately been the Case of too many in this Province. People are caught at the first View by a genteel Dress, but they soon grow impatient to hear whether the Man who wears it be a fine *Gentleman* or a *Coxcomb*. If the Hint is taken, my End is answer'd.

R. S.

CHARLES-TOWN, *August* 24.

Last Friday se'nnight Capt. *Brazier* sail'd from hence for *Winyaw*, and was chas'd soon after he got over this Bar by a *Spanish* Privateer; but, being well acquainted with the Coast, he ran his Vessel ashore, and retir'd with his Crew unseen by the Enemy; saw the Privateer's Boat come on board his Schooner, and (upon a hard Gale of Wind coming on) go off again, upon which he immediately re-took Possession, got her off and sail'd her into *Bull's-Island* Inlet, off which Place he was again chas'd.

Upon the above Account, and other Intelligence of *French* and *Spanish* Privateers daily infesting our Coast, and taking our Vessels, even when they have been on this Side the Bar, several Gentlemen of this Town resolved upon fitting out a Vessel by Subscription, to cruize for 10 Days against the said Privateers; and accordingly, they have fitted out the *Endeavour* Sloop, commanded by Capt. *Charles Walker*, which sail'd over the Bar on Saturday Morning.—*Such is our unhappy Situation at present, not having one Man of War on the Coast to protect our Trade: That which we imagin'd was station'd here, we are inform'd, is again gone to* Boston, *for what Reason is a Secret, as we have as convenient Places to heave down 20-Gun Ships, as any in* America.

On Friday last arrived here the *Isabella* Privateer-Galley, commanded by Capt. *George Twist*, and brought in with her the Ship *Patience* of 300 Tons, *Robert Brown* late Master, which sail'd from hence on the 18th of *July* last, for *London*, with a Cargo of Rice, naval Stores, &c. and was taken by the *Spaniards* on the 23d. Capt. *Twist* sail'd from hence about a Month ago, and falling into Company with the *Walker* Schooner of *Frederica* cruiz'd with her, and soon after took a *Spanish* Privateer returning from a Cruize to St. *Augustine*, with only 9 Men on board, belonging to the *Havanna*, and commanded, when she commenc'd her Cruize, by Mons. *Bernard*, a *Frenchman*. This *Bernard* had been out about two Months, in which Time, by the Means of an *Englishman* who very faithfully serv'd him as a Decoy, and by frequently fitting out and removing from one Prize into another, he has taken 16 *English* Vessels: On the Coast of *Virginia* he took a Pilot-Boat, on board of which he mounted some of his Sloop's Guns, and put all her Men, except the 9 afore-mentioned, and sail'd up *Delaware-River*, to cut out some Ships he had Intelligence of by his faithful *Englishman*, but finding them gone, he went ashore, plunder'd some Houses, carried off some Negroes (which are now here,) and return'd to the Capes of *Virginia*, where he met with the Ship *Mary*, *Jeremiah Thompson* Master, (from *London* and *Antigua*) just going in, which thro' his *Englishman* he offer'd to pilot, but when he was on board, they were confounded with the Deceit, he secur'd the Ship, fitted her out, and (after disarming and giving the Pilot-Boat to his Prisoners) cruiz'd in her some Time: In Lat. 34 D. 30 M. he met with the *Patience*, which, after a smart Engagement that lasted 3 Hours and an half, (wherein the Captain was carried down wounded) struck to him. As soon as he took the *Patience*, he went on board her with 25 Men, and (by adding his Sloop's and the *Mary*'s to her's) mounted in her 18 Carriage Guns, 3 and 4-Pounders, and 4 Swivels; and thus equipp'd, was come up on the 10th Instant (the *Mary* being in Company) by the *Walker* Schooner who engaged her, but finding her too strong sheer'd off; in the mean Time the *Isabella* came up, when Capt. *Twist* firing his Prow Guns into her and boarding immediately, she struck, as did also the *Mary* to the *Walker*, who carried her into *Frederica*. —— Here it will not be improper to give our Readers some Account of the Treatment Capt. *Brown*, his Brother and some of the Crew met with after they struck to *Bernard*, which we have from Capt. *Brown*'s said Brother, Mate of the *Patience*; he says, '*As soon as we struck, the* Spaniards *brought their Ship along-side of ours, came on board, and (beginning with me) immediately beat, cut and stabb'd those of us that were upon Deck whom they had observ'd to fight, in a most cruel and barbarous Manner, then they went to the wounded Captain in the Cabin, knock'd him down, broke a Pistol about his Shoulders, and stabb'd him, after they had done which, with the like Humanity they carried him up Feet-foremost on the Deck, and threw him over into the* Mary, *where* Bernard (*as polite and humane as the rest*) *was immediately seen to jump or stamp 3 Times on his Breast, which occasioned a Mortification soon after, and my unfortunate Brother's Death the 9th Day.*' It is to be hoped Mons. *Bernard* will meet with a Reward, equivalent to the Treatment he gave his Prisoners. The Person by whose Means he made most of his Captures, is named *John Collins*, was born at *Newberry* in *New-England*, and is now in Goal here.

Just now we have the disagreeable News, that the Schooner *Charming Nelly*, *Isaac Colcock* Master, which sail'd from hence Yesterday Morning for *Antigua*, was taken about 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, just over the Bar, by a *Spanish* Privateer Schooner of 8 Carriage Guns and about 30 Men, commanded by *Fernandez Laguerro*, who gave Capt. *Colcock* his Boat, to return here in, and told him, he had taken a large Snow, the *Rebecca*, Capt. *Hendrewell*, who sail'd a few Days ago from hence bound to *Cape-Fear*, and a Sloop from *Boston* for the same Place.

CHARLES-TOWN, *Entered Inwards*. None. *Entered Outwards*. Ship Brislington, John Whitburn, for Portugal. Sloop Anne, Abraham Vezie, for Jamaica.

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Clear'd for Departure.

Brigt. Charles-Town, James Rodger, to Jamaica.

EXPORTED from this Place, since the first of November last, the following Goods, of the Produce of this Province.

Rice, 50,475 Barrils.	Tann'd Leather, 3023 Sides.
Pitch, 11,782 Barrils.	Beef & Pork, 4662 Barrels.
Tar, 2714 Barrils.	Corn & Peafe, 59,284 Bufhels.
Turpentine, 3765 Barrils.	Indigo, 37,617 *lb.*
Deer-Skins 465 Hhds.	

Market Price at Charlestown, of the following Goods, of the Produce and Manufacture of this Province.

Rice per 100 Wt. 45 *s.* 0	Indigo, 20 *s.*
Pitch per Barrel, 50 *s.* 0	Deer-Skins per *lb.* 16 *s.*
Tar, 40 *s.*	Corn per Bufhel, 10 *s.* 0
Turpentine, 10 *s.*	Peafe, 10 *s.*
Pork, 10 *l.*	Staves per 1000, 18 *l.*
Rozin, 8 *s.*	Sallad Oil per Quart, 12 *s.* 6

ADVERTISEMENTS.

WHEREAS the Church-Wardens and Veſtrymen of the Pariſh of *St. Thomas*, purſuant to an Act of the General Aſſembly of this Province, *for the Relief of the Poor*, did aſſeſs the Inhabitants and Owners of Lands and Slaves within the ſaid Pariſh, in the Sum of *one ſhilling* and *three pence half-penny* on each Slave, and the like Sum for every 100 Acres of Land, in order to reimburſe the Church-Wardens for the Maintenance of the Poor of the ſaid Pariſh for the Year by paſt: This is therefore to deſire all Perſons concerned, *Reſidents* or *non-Reſidents*, to pay their reſpective Proportions of ſaid Aſſeſſment, on or before the 25th Day of *September* next, to Meſſrs. *Stephen Miller*, jun. *Daniel Leſeſne*, and *Francis Simmons*, or either of them, they being appointed Collectors of the ſame, or elſe Executions will be granted againſt the Defaulters without further Notice, *Stephen Hartley*, *Samuel Simmons* } *Church-Wardens.*

TAKEN out of *St. Philip's* Church (perhaps by Miſtake) an Umbrello, wherein is written *Pet. & Anne Timothy* and two Books of Common-Prayer, in one of which is my Name, and in the other (at the begining of the ſinging Pſalms) that of *Ann Donovan*, with the Day and Year of her Birth. If taken by Miſtake, this is ſufficient to make it known to whom they belong; if not, whoever brings them to the *Printing-Office*, ſhall have a Reward, and be aſk'd no Queſtions by *Peter Timothy.*

ALL Perſons indebted to the Eſtate of *James Belin*, ſen. deceaſed, are deſired to diſcharge their reſpective Debts to the Subſcribers, on or before the 29th of *September* next. And thoſe that have any Demands on the ſaid Eſtate, to bring in their Accompts properly atteſted to *James Belin*, and *Daniel Horry*, Executors.

Stray'd from New-Windſor, a dapple grey *Horſe about 13 Hands high, has a very remarkable black Spot about ſix Inches ſquare on his off Shoulder, he paces a little and trots very eaſy. Whoever brings the ſaid Horſe to me, or to Mr.* Jeremiah Knott's *Plantation near* Dorcheſter, *ſhall have* 10 l. *Reward.* David Douglaſs.

A bay Mare with a long Tail, branded on the mounting Shoulder M M: +. A grey Mare with a long Tail, branded NL in one. A black Horſe, 14 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock G with an 1 in it, the near hind Foot white, and has a ſtar and Dent in his Forehead. Any Perſon claiming any of the above Creatures, may apply to *Peter Taylor.*

STOLEN or ſtray'd from Charles-Town, a *Roan Horſe, about 14 Hands high, branded with an* H. *Whoever brings the ſaid Horſe to me in* Charles-Town, *ſhall have* 5 *l. Reward, and whoever can inform me where he may be had again ſhall have* 40 *ſh.* William Roper.

N.B. *The ſaid* William Roper *has good flour, ſoap in boxes, (alſo lately imported in the* Concord, *Capt.* Young, *from* London) *hollands, cambrick, callicoes, &c. which are to be ſold on very reaſonable Terms, either for Caſh, Rice or Indigo.*

Brought to the Work-Houſe,

Auguſt 22d, 1747. A run-away Negro Fellow, belonging to Doct. *Bruce.*

Auguſt 24th, 1747. A run-away Negro Fellow, belonging to Mr. *Moſes Cockfield.*

To be ſold by the Printer hereof.

SUMMONS *for Juſtices and Freeholders, and for Evidences,* Warrants *for Debts under and above* 20 *Pounds, and the two Acts lately paſſed for the Recovery of ſmall Debts.*

RUN away, ſome Time ago, a young Negro Fellow named *Tony*, formerly belong'd to Major *William Pinckney*; had on when he went away an old red Jacket and wide tarry Trowſers. Whoever takes up and delivers him to me ſhall have £. 5 Reward, but whoever harbours or entertains him will be proſecuted with Severity. The ſaid Fellow is ſuppos'd to be about *Hobcaw* or *Charles-Town* Neck, *Thomas Hardan.*

STRAY'D, from Mr. *Stobo's* Plantation on *Wilton* Path, a large ſorrel Gelding with a long ſwitch Tail, a Blaze in Face, and branded with *HM* in one on the mounting Buttock: And a ſmall black Horſe, with a long ſwitch Tail; they are both ſuppoſed to be together. Whoever delivers them to the ſaid *Thomas Harding* in *Charles-Town*, or at the Plantation of *Robert Youge*, Eſq; ſhall have 5 *l.* Reward for each.

Stolen or ſtray'd from my Plantation near *Spoon Savannah*, about the beginning of *April* laſt, a large Sorrel Horſe about 15 Hands high, ſhort dock'd, and branded on the near Buttock IP. Whoever brings the ſaid Horſe to my Plantation, or gives Information where he may be had, ſhall have 10 *l.* Reward. *William Butler.*

☞ *All Perſons any Ways indebted to the ſaid* William Butler, *are deſired to diſcharge the ſame by the* 10*th of* December *next at farthеſt.*

At a Court of Common Pleas begun and holden at Charles-Town, *on Tueſday the* 11*th of May*, 1747.

THE Perſons whoſe Names are hereunder written, having been duely ſummoned and returned to ſerve as Jurors at the ſaid Court, made Default, *to wit*,

NATHANIEL HINSON, RICHARD HAZZARD
THOMAS BOONE, ſen. SAMUEL DUPREE
JAMES STEWART,

fineable at FIVE POUNDS *Proclamation Money* each, unleſs they and each of them can ſhew good and ſufficient Excuſe upon Oath, why the ſaid Fines ſhould not be reſpectively levied, at the ſaid Court to be holden on the *firſt Tueſday* in *October* next, purſuant in the Directions of the Act of the General Aſſembly in that Caſe made and provided. JAMES WEDDERBURN, *Cl.C.P.*

N. B. A ſufficient Excuſe taken before a Magiſtrate and tranſmitted to the Clerk, will be allowed.

His Excellency the Governor having been pleaſed to appoint the Subſcriber *ſole VENDUE-MASTER* of *South-Carolina. This is to give Notice to the Publick, that he is ready to ſerve all Perſons who are deſirous of employing him in that Office, either in* Charles-Town *or elſewhere within the Province. AND WHEREAS ſeveral Perſons have of late preſumed to ſell Goods at publick Outcry, without any lawful Authority for the ſame, it is hoped that no Body will encourage that diſorderly Practice for the future: And, any Perſon whoſoever, who ſhall hereafter ſell or diſpoſe any Goods at publick Outcry contrary to Law, and without the Leave or Conſent of the Subſcriber, may depend upon being proſecuted with the utmoſt Severity of Law.* Daniel Crawford, *V. M.*

RUN away from the Subſcriber, a young *Spaniſh* Indian Fellow, about 28 Years of Age, condemn'd here by a Court of Admiralty; ſpeaks little or no *Engliſh*, had on when he went away a light colour'd drugget Jacket, an old check'd Shirt, and ſtrip'd Trowſers, and is ſuppoſed to be gone with a *Spaniard* about 50 Years old, that wore a ſtrip'd cotton Jacket and Trowſers. Whoever takes up the Run-away, and delivers him to *Daniel Laroche*, Eſq; at *George-Town*, or to *George Saxby*, Eſq; in *Charles-Town*, ſhall have 10 *l.* Reward. *Brunſwick, July* 29, 1747. *John Wright.*

Any Perſon that has a good Smith's Bellows, *Anvil and Vice with other Tools for Sale, may hear of a Purchaſer at the Smith's Shop near Mr.* Yeworth's *at the Point.*